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Dear Sir/Madam,

**RE: WOODSIDE PETROLEUM LTD. - EXEMPTION FILE NO. 82.2280**

In accordance with Rule 12g 3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, we enclose a copy of the following Stock Exchange Releases which has/have recently been filed with the Australian Stock Exchange ("ASX") in relation to:

- Chinguetti schedule and cost, lodged with the Australian Stock Exchanged on 20 September 2005;
- Drilling Report – Mauritania Offshore Drilling Update, lodged with the Australian Stock Exchanged on 20 September 2005.

It would be greatly appreciated if you could return by fax (+61 8 9214 2728) a copy of this letter as proof of receipt.

Yours faithfully  
WOODSIDE PETROLEUM LTD.

**Rebecca Sims**  
Compliance Officer

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**CHINGUETTI SCHEDULE AND COST**

The Woodside-operated offshore Chinguetti oil development in Mauritania remains on schedule for first oil in February 2006. The project is 88% complete.

The Chinguetti joint venture has completed an update of estimated project costs. Known project costs to complete the installation and start-up total US\$705 million. An additional US\$45 million has been set aside to cover unplanned contingencies that may occur during the offshore, deep-water installation program.

The current project cost estimate is primarily a result of increased drilling scope due to complex geology, resulting in extra time to drill sidetracks, as well as additional costs to prepare the subsea flowlines for installation.

The Chinguetti joint venture is operated under a production sharing contract subject to project cost recovery. Chinguetti joint venture interests are: Woodside 47.38448%; Hardman Resources 19.00800%, BG Group 10.23440%, Premier 8.12328%, Roc Oil 3.24984% and Groupe Projet Chinguetti 12%.

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## **Mauritania Offshore Drilling Update**

Woodside Mauritania Pty. Ltd., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Woodside Petroleum Ltd., reports the following activity offshore Mauritania since the last report issued on 13 September 2005.

### **PSC Area B: Espadon-1A and Tevét-2 Wells**

The Espadon-1A well was plugged and abandoned on 15 September 2005 following analysis of wireline logs which indicated no significant hydrocarbons were encountered in the well.

The Tevét-2 well was spudded on 16 September 2005 by the 'Stena Tay' drill rig and has been drilled to a depth of 1,510 metres where casing has been set.

The Tevét-2 well is located 2.5 kilometres to the south of the discovery well Tevét-1, in a water depth of 466 metres. The Tevét-2 well is a combined exploration and appraisal well to both appraise the Tevét discovery and target a deeper exploration prospect beneath the Tevét Miocene reservoir. The planned total depth of the well is approximately 3,965 metres.

At midnight on 19 September 2005, preparations were underway to drill ahead to the shallower of the two objectives.

### **Chinguetti Development Wells**

The 'West Navigator' drillship continues to perform completion work on Chinguetti Development wells. Woodside does not plan to issue regular announcements regarding operations on Chinguetti development wells but will do so if necessary to comply with its continuous disclosure obligations under the ASX Listing Rules.

### **General**

All reported drilling depths are referenced to the rig rotary table and all times are Universal Time (UTC) (Mauritanian time).

The locations of planned exploration wells and the Chinguetti Oil Field are shown on the attached map.

Participating Interests in the Chinguetti Joint Venture and relevant PSC areas are:

Company	Chinguetti Joint Venture	PSC-A	PSC-B	PSC-C, Block 6
Woodside group companies (Operator)	47.38448%	53.846%	53.846%	37.578%
Hardman group companies	19.00800%	24.3%	21.6%	22.422%
Groupe Project Chinguetti	12.00000%	--	--	--
BG group companies	10.23440%	13.084%	11.63%	--
Premier group companies	8.12328%	--	9.231%	--
ROC Oil group companies	3.24984%	4.155%	3.693%	5.0%
Fusion group companies	--	4.615%	--	--
Petronas Carigali Overseas Sdn Bhd	--	--	--	35.0%

